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Pertinent Topics Discussed by H.C.

Mr. Gordon's weekly lessons in the English language are useful in teaching us to avoid mistakes usually made in the use of a language that has many quirks and turns. It is well to be precise, but the precision may be a loser thereby. There is the story of the lady who knocked at the pearly gates, and St. Peter inquired "Who is there?" The lady replied "It is I" and St. Peter said "You can go to hell. We have too many school teachers here now."

It sets one furiously to think when one reads that rain so badly needed in the prairie was falling heavily on the Atlantic ocean.

The latest edition of the Motion Picture Almanac gives the real names of movie stars. For instance, Ginger Rogers is Virginia McMath, Fred Astaire is Frederick Austerlitz, the Barrymores are Blythes, Al Jolson is Asa Yoelson, Irving Berlin's name is Isadore Baline, which reminds us that Sir Henry Irving's name was William Henry Bradford. Very few of the Hollywood actors and actresses use their baptismal names and in a few cases the change is no improvement, even from the stage standpoint.

What is the poor retailer to do? He is told that if he does not accept script he will be boycotted by those who believe in it and the business will go to those who do. In the meantime he has to pay his wholesaler who tells him he will not accept script and the banker who tells him the same thing. What is the poor devil to do? A U.S. coin used to have inscribed on it the words "In God we Trust" and a local preacher suggested that Mr. Aberhart should have placed on his certificates the words "I know that my Redeemer Liveth," but even then the skeptic would be justified in having his doubts. A ruling by the Justice Department at Ottawa would seem to be indicated. The question at issue is a simple one—has Alberta the right to issue a substitute for money?

The Italian journalists who were arrested at Geneva for creating a disturbance while Selaasie was addressing the League have not increased their country's reputation except insofar as that reputation is an ill one. Something else than rowdiness was necessary at Geneva to restore the good reputation that Italy had throughout the world before she embarked on that Ethiopian enterprise. Success cannot justify it. It will be characterized by history as a ruthless, brutal act of aggression and spoliation. The action of the eight journalistic hooligans who tried to prevent the poor, forlorn Emperor from addressing the League might be overlooked were it not that their action is officially endorsed by the government and acclaimed by the people of Italy.

What is to become of such people? They seem to have gone mad with the joy and excitement of a victory over Ethiopia and a still greater victory over the League, which they would drag over into still further compliance with their designs. They are not to be appeased by the lifting of sanctions by nations that refuse to recognize them as masters of the conquered empire. Sanctions are lifted not alone because they hurt Italy, but because they hurt the sanctionist countries and

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ARID, INDEED

An easterner visiting a small town in the west attempted to start up a friendly conversation with a native.

"Can you tell me," he said, "what is the status of the liquor supply around here?"

"Status? Well, sir, I don't get you."

"I mean, do you encounter much difficulty in obtaining liquor in town?"

"Well, sir," said the native, "all I can tell you is that a little while back they turned off the water supply for a week and nobody knew about it until the church caught fire."

Nova Scotia has cut its amusement tax 50 per cent.

Royal Council Urge Prosperity Bond Relief Work District Program

Willing to Co-operate with Premier Aberhart's "Prosperity Bond" Public Works Scheme by Loaning Equipment

Although the Municipal District of Royal councillors are urging the development of the public works "prosperity bond" relief scheme they are taking no responsibility in the matter, Reeve Bennett told the Advocate today. The council is willing to co-operate by loaning of district equipment and for the past week different delegations of councillors headed by Reeve Bennett have interviewed Rev. Dawson, Little Bow M.L.A., and H.O. Haslam, Claresholm-Nanton M.L.A., urging immediate action.

Mr. Dawson told the delegation he was allotting \$700.00 worth of work in the Royal Municipality. Charles Hay, Ed. Kehr, Sam Colwell and Wm. Todd had been appointed supervisors in different sections, he told the delegations that included Councillors Spaeth, Roebuck and Snow.

In interviewing Mr. Haslam, a delegation that included Councillors Gordon, Spaeth and Reeve Bennett, did not get such a grant as offered by Mr. Dawson. He refused to allot any expenditure for the four townships of the Royal Municipality that are situated in his riding.

The Royal council had been accused of blocking the progress of Premier Aberhart's "prosperity bond" work program in this district, said Reeve Bennett. But this is not so, he claimed, saying that the council were giving those in charge every opportunity to go forward with the program. A copy of a letter forwarded to Premier Aberhart on Tuesday was shown The Advocate.

The letter reads: "No doubt you are aware that this particular municipality is in three different provincial ridings, Twp. 16, 17 and 18 in Range 24 are in Little Bow; Twp. 16 and 17 in Ranges 25 and 26, are in Claresholm; and Twp. 18 in Ranges 25 and 26 are in your own riding, Okotoks-High River."

"Conferences have been held with Messrs. Dawson of Little Bow and Haslam of Claresholm to try and arrange for a program of work in accordance with the Prosperity Bond issue. The district has been successful in arranging some \$600 or \$700 worth of work from Mr. Dawson. Mr. Haslam, however, has refused to allot any expenditure whatever for his portion of our district which is four townships. "I would be pleased to hear what amount you have allotted the two townships of our district which are in your riding."

"Owing to the severe drought, our crop in this municipal district is going to be practically nothing. A great percentage of our farmers will not even obtain their seed back and it is expected that the relief burden will be enormous this fall and winter. The writer feels sure that you are well aware of the conditions and that you see the need for a large program of relief work this fall. Due to the weather being uncertain during the fall, it is very desirable that the work program be undertaken as soon as possible."

"In view of the gravity of the situation, I will appreciate hearing from you regarding this work and also would like to have you urge Mr. Haslam to make some provisions for this district from his allotment." The letter was signed by Reeve Bennett.

From Champion comes the report that several rural projects are under way in section north-east and north-west from town and many hitherto unemployed men are working on the road for prosperity bonds. The Champion Chronicle says most of the Champion merchants are co-operating by issuing supplies to road camps and workers on the credit of the prosperity bonds.

In the immediate Vulcan territory, work started this week on a project north of town, employed eight or ten men. Culverts are being laid with Municipal District material.

C. W. Thompson has returned to Vulcan after filling relieving positions in several points of the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

NUDISTS ROMP AT REID HILL

Maybe Roy Walker was "seeing things" on Sunday when he made a trip into the Reid Hill district. He came back to Vulcan with a story of the starting of a nudist colony at Reid Hill, fully convinced that farmers are scampering around in their "birthday suits" in farm-home yards much unconcerned as to what passing motorists think of the innovation. Some townspeople are inclined to think that the heat waves had the best of Roy and that somewhat of an illusion was produced before his eyes. But this is not so. With Roy was a passenger who substantiates the story. It is said that the Reid Hill nudists are very timid and make hasty retreat upon the entrance of visitors to the scene.

DROUGHT TOLL CONTINUES WITH INTENSE HEAT

Estimated Eighty Per Cent Loss During Week-End with Two Per Cent Loss Every Day. Heat Wave Continues

It was estimated during the week-end that eighty per cent of the standing crop in the Vulcan district was a total loss. With a continued estimated loss of two per cent every day this week by the continued drought conditions by this week-end less than ten per cent will be fit for harvest. The extreme heat wave continues without a break in the Vulcan territory with temperatures ranging from 85 to 98 degrees. Monday set a new high record for the territory when the mercury officially reached the 98 degree mark. Still warmer weather is predicted before the break, and the heat wave is expected to continue well into next week by those who watch weather conditions. The only relief from the heat comes after sundown. The evenings are cool.

Many farms will not harvest more than seed. At the present time yields on summer-fallow field crops are estimated from zero to seven bushels. Stubbled-in field crops are a total loss some not worth cutting for feed. Rain, other than relieving the population from the heat, would now be of little benefit to the crops, it is claimed.

A survey of crop reports as given several days ago, gives an approximate idea of conditions in Alberta. Any rainfall which may occur since its issue, is not likely to affect prospects to any great degree, and where there is no rainfall there is deterioration steadily.

In central and southern Alberta fair prospects are fading in the face of the continuing drought.

Red Deer subdivision reports "poor to fair," with coarse grains suffering worst. A 25 per cent. loss is optimistic, but heavy rains would prevent serious loss.

Prospects are still good round Sylvan Lake and Rocky Mountain House.

Coronation reports poor. Lacombe sets damage at from 40 to 75 per cent.

Fair to poor is the Wetaskiwin report, with fairly good outlook round South Edmonton.

Willingdon subdivision has had little damage, and Vegreville still reports good prospects, with some hail damage.

Medicine Hat has two good reports from Duchess and Rosemary with all others poor including Brooks, Strathmore and irrigated subdivision. Husar and Acme have from 30 to 90 per cent. damage.

Empress faces total loss, as does Fox Valley.

In the Lethbridge subdivision losses range from 50 to 80 per cent. at Seven Persons, Cardston sets loss at from 60 to 65 per cent.

Drumheller, Oyen, Acadia Valley, all report poor. Oyen has 75 per cent damage and has shut down hopper

Four Day Church Convention Opens

Delegates to the twenty-eight annual convention of the Churches of Christ in Alberta opened their four-day session in the Central Church of Christ, Vulcan, this Thursday evening, with E. E. Breckenridge, secretary, Calgary, responding to an address of welcome delivered by E. G. Hansell, M.P., pastor of the Vulcan church. Appointments were announced by chairman M. Dunsworth of Edmonton, to complete the preliminaries to one of the largest conventions ever

Scene of Church Convention



held locally. The opening exercises were preceded by a period of fellowship conducted by Mrs. Jasper Bogue, assisted by students of the Alberta Christian Bible College. Special music was provided by the Vulcan church choir. Evangelist James Earl Ladd, who has been conducting a series of revival meetings during the past few weeks, delivered the sermon for the evening, taking as his subject the topic "I Have a Date."

Forenoon, afternoon and evening sessions of the convention will continue Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

LOCAL NEWS

Dr. and Mrs. G. M. Carson are holiday visitors at Vancouver's jubilee celebrations.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Jones and family have returned to their home in Vulcan after holidaying at northern Alberta points.

Dave Nichols, Mossleigh, member of the Vulcan branch of the Canadian Legion, will represent that branch at the unveiling of the Canadian Vimy memorial in France.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Buelher are holidaying at Sylvan Lake. They are accompanied by Mrs. Buelher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Allan, and sisters, Jean, Olive and Verna of Parkland.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clark and family of Wastanewau, Alta., were Vulcan and district visitors last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. P. Clark.

K. R. McLean, sight specialist, wishes to announce his new city address, 210 South Main Bldg., Calgary. Former patients please clip. Next local visit to the King Drug store, will be Monday, August 17th, 2 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Thanks is extended by the editor of The Advocate to Gordon Clayton for a delicious week-end dinner of the tenderest spring chicken that ever graced his table. Gordon raises some splendid eating birds and from a hobby has created a good paying business. His forced feeding system has caught the attention of many poultry raisers throughout the district. A visit of inspection to his farm is well worth the time.

From Peace River—Grand Prairie comes the only positively good reports with plenty of moisture and splendid prospects.

Western Canada Crop conditions vary greatly within a few miles of each other and this will be one of the "spottiest" seasons experienced. If rain breaks, grain quality should be good.

In south and south-central Manitoba, crops are in bad shape. Haying is done at night or early morning as midday heat is too hard on horses.

In the Dauphin-Swan River district, showers have helped the outlook.

From Yorkton, Walrus and Rose-town in Saskatchewan come better reports.

Round Prince Albert damage is set at from 20 to 40 per cent.

The best areas are Northern and North Central Manitoba, East-Central and Northeastern Saskatchewan and Northern Alberta. Southern Manitoba, South-Central Saskatchewan, Alberta south from Edmonton to the boundary show the greatest decline.

Sixty thousand families in N. Dakota, are in need as a result of drought.

New Economic and Social Changes Coming Says William Irvine

Alberta C.C.F. Organizer Tells of Chaos Under Capitalistic System and Urges Development of New Social System in Vulcan Address

"Waste no time on capitalism, all join in the development of a new social order," was the keynote struck in an address delivered by William Irvine ex M.P., and C.C.F. organizer for Alberta, to a fair sized audience in the Odd Fellows' hall, Vulcan, Saturday evening. Wilson Oldfield was chairman of the meeting and introduced the speaker.

Commencing his address, Mr. Irvine gave a brief outline of the history of Canadian Commonwealth Federation party, telling of the development of the national movement of farmers and labor people. The C.C.F. movement is well rooted in every province at the present time, he stated.

"The economic problems of the world grow organically and progressively worse and will continue to do so as long as we drift helplessly in the current of a system that has outgrown its usefulness," was the opinion of Mr. Irvine. He traced the problems of the farmers; the businessmen, who are in the same position economically as the farmers; and the labouring class, who carry on with reduced incomes and many out of work. With the burden of taxation created by government debt the people cannot expect to carry on without chaos and war, he said.

Speaking of the world conditions, he claimed that all was a madhouse with one nation blindly striving to sell its surplus of goods at a profit price to other nations, regardless of the fact that these other nations have a surplus of the same kind of goods. The more the world becomes industrialized the less foreign market there is for the capitalistic surplus, he said. Mr. Irvine thought war inevitable with such conditions that required expansion of territorial boundaries and markets. He cited the situation of Italy in Europe today as an example.

With such a situation created by capitalism, a economic system change was near at hand, he claimed. Shall we wait meekly for destruction to happen? Capitalism should be changed by intelligent action such as the C.C.F. movement offered, was the suggestion made to the audience. Such a new order would abolish exploitation, both directly and indirectly, he said, citing three methods of exploitation in form today. Exploitation of natural resources, of farmers-by price spreads, and labor by wages were cited. The renouncing of individualism with its destructive competitive methods and the establishment of a co-operative commonwealth were the foundation principles of the C.C.F. movement, said Mr. Irvine in conclusion.

A question period followed the address.

Mr. and Mrs. Nels Thompson and family are holidaying at Waterton Lakes National Park.

Mrs. J. W. Hunter accompanied by Mrs. John Hunter and baby returned to Vulcan on Monday after spending a few days visiting in Lethbridge.

Mrs. T. B. Lebeau, Miss Mayne Lebeau and Jack Lebeau, accompanied by Charles Carson, are holiday visitors to the Gull Lake resort.

Mrs. Peter Bowie was called to Saskatoon, Sask., on Friday with word that her mother, Mrs. Stewart, is seriously ill.

M. Matlock and son, Harris and Elmer, of Ensign district, accompanied by cousins, Burnice Smith and Harold Henley, left on Tuesday on an extended trip to various points in the United States.

Mayor Errett King and Mrs. King left during the week-end for a holiday trip to several United States points. Jack Creighton of Nanton is assisting at the King-Drug Store during Mr. King's absence.

The ceremony of the unveiling of a monument for a nation will be broadcast over CFAC from 6:30 til 7:45 a.m. Sunday July 26, and the event will be commemorated in St. Aldhelm's Church on that day at the services which will be held at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Also at Eastway school house at 3 p.m.

HAIL RAVAGES NORTH WHEAT

Coming from the north-west and working east and south Gladys Ridge, hail ravaged the crops in an extensive area twelve miles north of Vulcan shortly after six o'clock Saturday evening. The storm extended from Mossleigh into the Buffalo Hills and south into the Berrywater territory, hitting some Milo district crops. Hail, about the size of small walnuts, fell to the depth of five and six inches in sections. Hope of any crop at all disappeared when the hail destroyed all prospects left by the drought.

OLIVER BRICKER, ACCIDENT VICTIM, DIES AT VULCAN

Vulcan Jurors Adjourn Inquest to Monday; Tuesday Morning Train Crashes Truck Loaded with Grain

(Special Dispatch from Blackie)

Canadian Pacific Railway passenger train No. 538 southbound on Tuesday morning at 10:15 o'clock crashed into a truck loaded with wheat driven by Oliver Bricker at the level crossing at the outskirts of the village of Blackie, as a result of injuries received in the accident, Mr. Bricker died at the Vulcan municipal hospital shortly after being admitted at 11:55 o'clock. He was taken from Blackie to Vulcan in the baggage car of the train.

Mr. Bricker was driving south at the time, taking a load of wheat from the family farm some five miles north of Blackie to the elevator. As the road is being newly graded, the vehicle was travelling in the ditch. The crash occurred when the truck was driven from the ditch to cross the railway grade. It is believed by witnesses that he failed to see the approaching train in the low level of the ditch.

Dr. A. E. Ardief, coroner of Okotoks called an inquest jury together at Vulcan, Tuesday afternoon to view the remains. Death was found to be due to hemorrhage into the abdominal cavity due to ruptured left kidney and to shock. Dr. W. W. Almond of Vulcan, attending doctor, gave evidence. The inquest was postponed until Monday, July 27th, 2:30 p.m. at Blackie. Edward Armeij is foreman of the jury with W. D. Allan, C. W. Robson, A. Clark, Chas. Lambert and W. G. Brown as jurors. The remains were identified by Mr. M. C. Bricker, father of the accident victim.

In a special dispatch to The Advocate from the scene of the accident at Blackie it is stated that the train hit the truck just behind the cab, carrying it nearly 100 feet down the track before it became disengaged. Bricker was thrown ten yards down the west embankment of the railway. Several accidents have occurred at this level crossing the dispatch states, but with no fatalities until Tuesday.

Oliver Bricker was born and raised at the family farm in the Blackie district. He was 26 years of age. He is survived by his wife and infant daughter, his mother and father, three sisters, Vera, Verda and Mrs. R. McKeague; one brother, Urdin, all residing in the district. Funeral service arrangements are in hands of the Kelly Funeral Home.

WEDDING BELLS

LEONARD — MITCHELL

A wedding of interest to Vulcan and district residents was solemnized in Calgary on Friday, July 14th, when Mary Mitchell, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mitchell of Vulcan, was united in marriage with Mr. Ralph J. Leonard, only son of Mr. M. R. Leonard and the late Mrs. Leonard of Arrowwood. Rev. Dr. Kelloway, pastor of the Knox United church, Calgary, officiated at the ceremony in the presence of Mr. M. R. Leonard, Misses Marjorie Leonard and Alberta Mitchell.

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PEACE RIVER HANDICAPS

It is a popular belief that Eastern Canada is not sufficiently sympathetic with Western problems. Are we as a province, guilty of the same attitude in regard to the great Peace River country?

Charles Fredericks of the Grande Prairie Herald is calling for a righting of some of the Peace River wrongs or the alternative of withdrawal from the province. Three successive Alberta governments have been entreated, he says, for a small share of development work, but the appeal has been in vain. He wants a showdown.

"The Peace River country has never received consideration in matter of highway construction. We have not five miles of gravelled highway though the southern part of the province is traversed by no less than five east-and-west gravelled highways, and even the mountain tops between the millionaire playgrounds of Banff and Jasper are being hewed down to provide a new joy-riding road for the 4,800 annual visitors to the park while 60,000 people who are making history in developing one of Canada's richest areas are denied a single mile of highway or a proper railway service or telephone communication with the province to which we pay our taxes."

Other provinces, remarks the Hanna Herald, have been confronted with similar protests from units within these provinces. Northern Ontario contributes greatly to the Ontario treasury, but feels at times that it reaps no commensurate rewards. Vancouver Island is definitely urging withdrawal from the problems of the B.C. mainland.

The Grande Prairie editor is justifiably indignant at the mounting Alberta debt which has accumulated without any particular benefit accruing to the north.

"Since the Peace River has no telephone facilities worth naming," he says, "we would take but an infinitesimal part of the \$22 million; since the sale of our one line of railway has taken care of its own debt burden, we could take none of Alberta's debt; since we have no government highways, we would take none of that debt. We should assume our share of the debt to cover the few wooden shacks erected in the north to house administrative offices."

The Hanna Herald, however, mildly reminds Mr. Fredericks that the first big plunge of Alberta into debt, was due to its early railway program, and that the sale of the railway involved a loss of many millions.

However, there is no question that the people in the northern part of the province have not shared proportionately in development. Perhaps the magnitude of the country, and the immensity of any comprehensive undertaking has discouraged action. The handicaps of transportation have had very little attention, and undoubtedly the Peace River country has brought great favorable publicity to Canada and to the province.

SENATE ACTED WISELY

The Senate's action in quashing the Commons bill which would have amended the B.N.A. Act to give provinces greater powers of taxation is one of the few commendable acts performed by that body in recent years. Provincial governments have shown no lack of ingenuity in devising methods of taxation without being empowered to levy sales taxes. Moreover the new federal sales tax of eight per cent. is a sufficient burden on business and industry without any further levy. The late Hon. W. S. Fielding, acknowledged without a peer among finance ministers, was authority for the statement that business could not stand a higher sales tax than six per cent. It is now eight per cent. and some of the provinces would like to carve into the melon also. Gasoline taxes, motor vehicles fees, succession duties, to say nothing of the Liquor Control Board's profits, have provided Ontario with the greatest revenue in its history. Yet we still have government deficits and under our present system we will continue to have them, sales tax or no sales tax.—Simcoe Reformer.

WHAT THEY SAY

Russia wants most of all to be left alone for the next five or ten years. After that no one can destroy her.—Frazier Hunt.

Every time you draw a breath, the government at Washington spends \$712.—B. C. Forbes.

The ultimate goal is the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth.—Hon. Stanley Baldwin.

Forestry Dept

Warns Fire Danger

With forests through the province practically tinder dry, officials of the forestry department are requesting campers, fishermen and tourists to be particularly careful in their travels.

They point out that a small spark which ordinarily might burn itself out without damage, were ground or tree damp, now would probably result in a disastrous fire.

Attention of campers is directed particularly to being sure no live embers are left among ashes while tourists, even those travelling main highways, are reminded not to toss a live cigarette butt or match even onto the roadway. High winds and dry grass along the ditches might easily carry a spark to provide the makings of a severe conflagration.

So far this season the fire menace in Alberta has been held in close control, the only outbreak of any size being reported west of Sundre. It was believed to be under control.

Intensification of arms production in Britain is reducing unemployment. Great factories have been bought to make gas masks for everyone. High speed production is under way to make Britain the equal of any other power in air warfare.

The Senate has at last accepted repeal of Section 98 of the criminal code. Its objectionable and un-British features, including a presumption of guilt and the right to search private premises upon suspicion, will now be eliminated from the Canadian statutes—and not too soon.—Provost News.

KEEPING A GRIP

If past history is any criterion, Albertans can take the worst if they must, without becoming too disheartened. It is a characteristic of this province that we make a great fuss when calamity merely threatens. But once it overtakes us we take a new grip on ourselves and try to weather through. So far we have always succeeded.

This year has brought crop and fodder losses which affect more people than any previous losses of provincial history. It is a prospect which calls for courage and self control on the part of individuals and communities. We have passed through the early stages of disappointment when hopes for a bumper crop have yielded to hopes for fair returns, and when these hopes have in turn diminished day by day almost to the vanishing point. Whatever may come now in the way of yield will be in the nature of a pleasant surprise.

Already there seems a disposition on the part of most people to face the situation squarely, holding fast to their good sense and drawing on those indomitable qualities which are inherent in an agricultural area. Lamentations are not only exhausting, but solve nothing, and create a demoralizing atmosphere. Everything is relative, and there is no question that we are much better off many other areas of the West. There are vast stretches of country in United States stripped of all verdure and of all foliage. There are areas in Saskatchewan which have taken seasons such as this year after year, without losing their morale. It is tough and may be tougher before the year is past, but if others can show stamina and a high heart, so can we.

MAN PROPOSES—GOD DISPOSES

Bruce Barton says: "We have a habit of talking these days as if our destinies were entirely in our own hands. We see the millenium just over the skyline, and although we may differ violently about the way to get there, we are pretty well convinced that a way does exist and that we can find it if we just hunt hard enough."

"We may be right. But underneath all his modern science and invention, man is fundamentally what he was in the days of Abraham; a lonely and rather helpless creature bent down beneath a high sky through whose blue emptiness his vision cannot pierce."

"He takes what the world lets him take and no more; and now and then Nature smites him with a tornado, or shrugs her shoulders in an earthquake, or bakes and parches him with a long drouth, to remind him of that little fact."

"When such things happen, our modern civilization can pick up the pieces and repair the damage faster than the civilization of our forefathers."

"But it can do no more than they could do to keep the damage from being done. Like them, we are here on sufferance."

FARM ANIMALS OUT

A startling proclamation came from Henry Ford this week, according to the press. He said he hoped to prove within two years that all animals on the farm are really unnecessary. "We can, I believe get a more plentiful supply of food, cheaper and better," he is quoted as saying, "by processing the products of the soil instead of asking cows and chickens to do it for us. In the future farm animals of all kinds will be out. We won't need them; we will be better without them."

Perhaps it is just as well that in these days the prophecies of allegedly wise men, carry so little weight. Because very few people would view with pleasure the thought of a world stripped of our fellow workers, the cows, the horses, and the chickens. We like their society. We admire their staunch qualities, their faithful service, their dispositions which are such an improvement on our own. We like their personalities and when the appointed time comes we like the food with which they uncomplainingly provide us.

The care which man expends on animals may be primarily selfish, but it stimulates qualities of compassion, solicitude and affection. A synthetic tablet would be poor substitute for Susie the cow or Biddy the hen.

Oh, well, Henry was once convinced he could stop the Great War. Perhaps he has made another error.

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did not hurt Italy sufficiently to thwart her in her mad career. There is little use in refusing recognition if it is to end as ingloriously as the sanctions, but Italy has nerve to ask for recognition against two sections of the Covenant which expressly forbid recognition of annexation gained by aggression.

It is surprising that while the war in Ethiopia lasted it was costing the rest of the world \$600,000 a day. We do not know how this estimate is arrived at, but are told it does not include increased armaments. We may be able to keep out of war, but cannot avoid effects that are world-wide. If Italy is trying now to get on good terms again with Britain it is because of iron necessity. She needs time to consolidate her gains, established her authority in the new territory and recuperate from the financial strain.

Berkman, the anarchist, who and recently met with many disappointments in life. He went to the States from Russia, was disappointed with conditions and decided to reform them. The Homestead strike in the steel industry was on and he thought he would do his bit by killing Henry C. Frick. Another disappointment. He shot Frick twice but Frick recovered and Berkman went to prison for a term. An attempt to free him by means of a tunnel failed, but he was released in due time. He went back to the Soviet paradise and was disappointed, so he returned. He had been living with Lenna Goldman just as if they were married. She too, was disappointed when she paid a visit to Bolshevik Russia. She must have been disappointed in Berkman for she went and married another man. Little for economic reformers is just one thing after another.

Modern inventions have their disadvantages. Plutarch tells how at the trial of Clodius who was alleged to be too intimate with Caesar's wife (Caesar wished her to be above suspicion which she wasn't). Clodius was acquitted because most of the judges, fearful of offending one side or the other, wrote their judgments illegibly. Judges of the Supreme Court in Canada and United States in giving judgment on new deal legislation cannot escape criticism by that ruse because everybody knows they have stenographers and typewriters. They can all write illegibly enough, but modern inventions have placed them at a disadvantage and they have to take what

criticism comes their way and that is plenty, especially in the United States.

Drouth sends wheat prices up. "There," says the old fashioned economist, "I told you supply had something to do with prices."

Headed by Tim Buck, a lot of Communists went through the ceremony of burying Section 98. The pall-bearers wore high hats and the orators delivered speeches demanding free speech. This section they buried is the section of the Criminal Code which, they claimed, prohibited free speech.

The new Premier of Quebec changed election day because the date first selected interfered with a Jewish holiday. We shall see whether he fares any better than Mr. Bennett who did the same thing last year.

There are big business men in Quebec province who are worrying about the elections. Whether they were Conservative or Liberal they supported the Gouin and then the Taschereau government. Now these new groups have sprung up and are talking about social legislation, higher taxes and debt conversion. This is something new in Quebec, ominous to the industrialists who pinned their faith on the people of that province being conservative with a small "c" and Liberal with Capital. The new Godbout government counters with promises of farm bonuses and minimum wages. Elections are not won with prayers of even with money, but promises go a long way. The more extravagant they are, the farther they'll go.

Godbout will bonus butter, sugar beets, pigs, and piggenies, cleaned and drained lands. He will educate one child in each large family, and will subsidize colonization, increase pensions and the pay of lumberjacks. It is a comprehensive scheme, but lacks one thing. He does not say how he is going to raise the money. That shows sagacity. There are no votes to be gained by disclosing how the scheme is to be financed for it cannot be done without taking money from some or from all. Tell them what you are going to give them. Say nothing about what you are going to take from them. The notion prevails that there is a reservoir that any government can tap from which the money will flow for all such benefices, and so there is, but it has a bad name. It is called Taxes.

And so there goes another province, the one which used to be held up to us a model of steady progress and sure stability. It falls for the new economics—the notion that the State should take every class, every profession, every interest under its sheltering wings. The late government stood for what was orthodox. Under a new leader, and in its extremity, it makes an appeal on entirely different lines in an effort to steal the thunder of the opposition. The big interests are left high and dry. No party in the province appeals to them, or for their support. No matter what party gets in, they are the losers.

It is a common saying and worthy of some consideration that Canada should never have taken over what are now the national railways, but that was not the original error. If you lend money to a farmer and endorse his notes you may find yourself the owner. It is not because you have ambitions to be a farmer or any conceit that you would make a good farmer, but because he was not able to pay the interest or principal. The endorser of a note often has to take the place of the man whose name is on the dotted line under the promise to pay. You could, of course, sell the farm for whatever it would bring, but can you sell a railway or rather a collection of railways? Could you do it in 1919? Who would buy? There was only one possible purchaser and the endorser of the note, the people of Canada, were practically unanimous that they should not go to the C.P.R.

There is no use saying now that we should not have taken over the railways. It is more to the point to say we should never have guaranteed those railway bonds, but the government of the day did it and the people approved. It is to the point to say we should have handed the roads over to the C.P.R., but the people then would not stand for it, and we doubt if they would today stand for amalgamation, unification or any other word that means the same thing. The employees of both roads are against it, prominent newspapers are against it and no political party dare come out in favor of it. We own the roads because in our more youthful enthusiasm we endorsed the notes of promoters.

Arthur Cutten, the Guelph boy who became one of the most successful speculators in America, is dead. His latter years were vexed by litigation with the United States government. For several years he was debarred from trading on the Exchange. He

Keeping Flowers Fresh for Period

"How can I keep cut flowers fresh for a long time?"

With most flowers it is quite essential to cut them either early in the morning, while the dew is still on them or in the cool of the evening. We find that roses, peonies, daffodils and gladioli respond best when cut in the evening. Dahlias we might add, must always be cut when in full bloom; iris, poppies and pinks are best when cut in half bloom, peonies when they show a good color.

Slanting cuts made with a sharp knife are very successful since shears crush or bruise the stem preventing the free rise of water to the leaves and blossoms. At the same time, a slanting cut prevents the stems from resting on the bottom of the vase and thereby checking the flow of water.

It has been found advisable to soak cut flowers for several hours in deep, cool water as soon as they are gathered.

Adding ¼ to ½ teaspoonful of charcoal or permanganate of potassium to one quart of water, prevents the growth of bacteria on the cut end, thereby prolonging the life of a cut flower. The use of 1 or 2 drops of eucalyptol or other similar disinfectant has given indications of excellent results, but aspirin has not proved effective.

Cutting the stems of arranged flowers once a day is a worthwhile activity to keep flowers fresh. This must be done under water to prevent air bubbles from entering the stems and thus blocking the free flow of water.

Pansies and nasturtiums appeared much brighter after they were plunged up to their blossoms in cool water for half an hour at 8-hour intervals. The pansies in particular find it difficult to draw water through their stems but absorb it readily through the leaves and petals.—Lethbridge Experimental Station.

was very much opposed to governments interfering with private operators in the wheat market and contended that the growers got better prices when trading was unhampered by governments and stimulated by competition.

The closing of relief camps the federal government is a wise move. The opening of them was, at the time, thought to be a wise move too, but the concentration of men in camps furnished an opportunity for Communists to get in their seditious work, and what was intended as economic and humanitarian enterprises became the centres of unrest and disaffection resulting in riots in Regina and marches to other capitals to demand work with union pay or relief without work. It taught the authorities that segregation is preferable to concentration in the treatment of the unemployed, because the agitator goes where the crowds are. He has nothing else to do but talk and he wants an audience such as the camps would offer him—men nationally dissatisfied with their state and prone to fall for his revolutionary twaddle.

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Municipal Grief Down in Ontario

Victoria Times
Because the East has so much to say about bond defaulting in the West, it may be well to reproduce The Financial Post's summary of municipal defaults for Canada in millions of dollars.

This table reveals that no part of the West but good old Ontario itself leads Canada in municipal defaults. British Columbia's percentage is well under half that of Ontario. In scorned Alberta the percentage is negligible, the municipal debt per population being very small. In hard-hit Saskatchewan the rate is the same as that of British Columbia. Manitoba's is higher, but still under Ontario's.

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The Alberta road from Waterton Park on the border to Calgary, a distance of 180 miles will be similarly equipped. This provides a National park outlet at Banff from both east and west. The mountain highway from Banff to Jasper is being carried on, but will not be completed this year.

Labor Minister Rogers at Ottawa has announced the Dominion-Provincial agreements to provide employment by expenditure of at least \$30,000,000 on roads, in addition to the \$40,000,000 votes in supplementary estimates. One provision is that at least 50 per cent. of those employed on the \$30,000,000 supplementary expenditure be taken from relief rolls. At the same time grants for direct relief will be cut 10 per cent. in summer months.

The program includes roads into proved mining areas, as well as into national parks.

Alston News

(From Our Own Correspondent)
Misses Pearl Zang and Maude are holidaying at the Pacific Coast.

Reports of hail damage have been received from the Hiltz farm, from hailing falling Tuesday night. H. E. Pearce and Gust Jensen were Calgary visitors for several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Hagg motored recently to Quesnstown, where they visited with relatives.

The Bigger brothers have returned to the district from an extensive tour in the United States. They tell of a sorry picture of the crops in the south country.

A large crowd attended the meeting in the Alston Community Hall last Wednesday evening to hear an excellent address delivered by H. O. Haslam, M.L.A. At the meeting a Social Credit zone council was formed.

When Milton delivered his "Paradise Lost" to his bookseller, Samuel Simmons, he was promised an immediate payment of \$25, another payment of \$25 after 1,800 copies had been sold, and the same amount for the second and third editions.

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Who Can Supply The Necessary Word

A reform which is long overdue is a polite and truthful ending to a letter. At present there is nothing between the cold "yours truly," the formal "yours faithfully," the polite "yours sincerely," warmed up by a "very" or a "most" and "yours affectionately." What is the word which could come between sincerely and affectionately?

The Americans tried to solve the problem with "cordially," but it has an odd ring. I would rather by yours affectionately, or even sincerely, than cordially; but what else can I be? One can be more than affectionately; one can be devotedly or even fondly (though that has a somewhat too sentimental sound), but no word seems to exist to convey a feeling that is more than a civil sincerity and less than affection.—Sunday Times, London.

The Nanton town council has decided to publish the names of all those receiving relief in the future.

The more we learn, the less we know; every advance reveals new mysteries and new uncertainties—Will Durant, in The History of Civilization.

Assassin Claims Merely a Protest

George McMahon, 34-year-old crippled writer, who levelled a revolver at King Edward on July 16, claims that he threw the gun into the street near the King's path of progress.

The earlier story of a mysterious woman in gray who knocked the revolver from his hand is denied by him. The man was imprisoned, and his further claimed he had no intention of shooting the King, though the revolver was loaded. He was taken to a hospital for mental observation.

The mysterious woman in gray may be able to reveal the true story. The King, who remained completely unruffled throughout the episode, was at his post at York House at his usual hour next morning. Before starting routine work, he perused hundreds of messages of congratulations from all parts of the world.

Congratulations were bestowed on Gordon Dick, special constable who acted promptly in identifying and picking up McMahon.

Scotland Yard appealed to the public for evidence, particularly from those near the scene.

McMahon was described as a "social reformer" and a native of Tyrone, Ireland.

The King—apparent object of the unsuccessful attack—seemed the least perturbed of anyone in the empire over the incident. Only for an instant did his rigid bearing relax as the pistol clattered to the roadway almost under the hoofs of his sedate charger Cobham.

Police hurried McMahon through the crowd as the King continued to ride back to Buckingham Palace from Hyde Park where he had presented colors to six battalions of Foot Guards, and had made a stirring plea for peace.

The praise of the empire went out to a tiny figure in grey—a woman watching the parade—who prevented the attack.

She tugged at the sleeve of a special constable as she noticed the stocky lame man pressing to the front of the crowd, revolver upraised. The constable, identified as Anthony Gordon Dick, 36, struck down the revolver at the moment the King rode by.

Both houses of parliament heard in hushed silence official statements of gratification that the sovereign was not harmed, then burst into cheers.

Everywhere the people assembled that evening the national anthem was fervently sung.

Theatres, meetings and moving picture houses heard "God Save the King" sung with new feeling by the gatherings, while the traditional toast "The King" was honored in an exceptional manner at all banquets and public dinners.

Messages poured into the London from every country of the world telling of the intense relief that the King had suffered no harm.

While the messages were arriving the King himself quietly played golf at Coombe Hill. His game was as steady as usual.

"God Save the King" epitomized comments on the incident in papers of all shades of opinion.

Toronto Star: Out of about 2,800,000 people in Canada who were born in Ontario, nearly 2,500,000 are still in this province, 3,500 in the maritimes, 55,000 in Quebec, and 257,000 in the Canadian West, including British Columbia. These are census figures, but condition today are probably not very different. Compared with Ontario's contribution of 55,000 to Quebec, about 92,500 Quebec-born inhabit Ontario.

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